

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 17-20 and add new claims 25-27 as follows:

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- 13' 1. (Amended) A process for making a dressing comprising the steps of:
- (a) combining raw ingredients in a pre-mix tank comprising a means for mixing to form a coarse emulsion, and
  - (b) processing the coarse emulsion in one pass through an in-line mixer/emulsifier comprising at least one set of stator and rotor, and a variable speed motor to drive the rotor, wherein the stator and rotor comprise co-axially engageable rings of teeth having a plurality of concentric vanes and concentric wells with generally slanted side walls from each vane to each well and the rotor and stator when engaged are such that the concentric vanes of the stator align with the corresponding concentric wells of the rotor and the concentric vanes of the rotor align with the corresponding concentric wells of the stator with the corresponding generally slanted walls of the stator and rotor aligned and when engaged a gap having an axial opening dimension and slanted opening dimension is defined by each concentric vane and each concentric well and the aligned slanted walls and the gap is adjustable in increments of about 0.015 inches in axial opening dimension wherein the dressing is mayonnaise or a salad dressing and an oil phase and an emulsifier phase are raw ingredients combined in the pre-mix tank.
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- 13' 17. (Amended) The process of Claim 1 wherein the raw ingredients are further comprised of an aqueous phase.

B2 18. (Amended) The process of Claim 1 wherein the raw ingredients are further comprised of a starch paste phase.

19. (Amended) The process of Claim 1 wherein the raw ingredients are further comprised of a starch phase, a sweetener phase and an aqueous phase.

20. (Amended) The process of Claim 1 wherein the raw ingredients are further comprised of an aqueous phase, an acidulant phase and, optionally, a solids phase.

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B3 25. (New) The process of claim 1 wherein the emulsifier phase comprises egg.

26. (New) The process of claim 25 wherein the dressing comprises from about 2.0% to about 8.0% egg.

27. (New) The process of claim 1 wherein the dressing comprises from about 0.1 to about 0.3% emulsifier.

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